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Judge Eastern District,
GUY McCUNE.

Who Is Hurt?

A GREAT storm has been raging lately in Republican party circles because the people of North Carolina, by an overwhelming majority, have adopted an amendment to the State constitution requiring an educational qualification as a test of eligibility to vote. The Republicans charge that it is disfranchising the negro and that it is indeed worse than their taxation without representation scheme in the Philippines.

Well, let's see. Really, now, what great crime have the people of North Carolina committed? Only this: They recognized that the stability of a republic rests upon the intelligence of the people. Consequently they reasoned that it is dangerous to put the franchise into the hands of any element who cannot read and consequently cannot understand the fundamental principles upon which the government rests. This was their reasoning, and but for one point they might be given credit for straightforward honesty on thru the score. Now they adopt a constitutional amendment declaring that unless a man can read and write he shall not vote. Here they discriminated a little in favor of the white man, but it is to his disadvantage at last, as we shall show later on.

We are told that the situation was fully understood in North Carolina by all parties. Consequently, the intelligent negroes voted for the amendment, and we read that faculties of colored colleges worked with all their might for the success of the amendment.

We have read of but one objection from any prominent negro, and that is by Representative White—the only White colored man in Congress—and he threatens to leave the State because of the law, but he'll cool off yet.

The general impression was that such a provision in the constitution would stimulate all illiterate but worthy citizens to an effort to comply with the constitution and become voters, and the position is not far from correct. The man nowadays who has lived 21 years and hasn't the energy to learn to read or write his own name, ought not to be allowed to vote, whether white or black. And here is where they discriminated against the white man when they intended to hit the negro. Here is the fly in the ointment. The amendment allows the lineal descendants of illiterate white persons the right to vote regardless of their inability to read or write. That's where they "ran over themselves", we must admit. The white man should be encouraged to enlighten himself as well as the negro. But if that point ever gets to the Supreme Court it will get the proper attention. It won't stand the test.

After all, the North Carolina law is a good one. No energetic and intelligent negro in that State but who can surmount the obstacle in his way by learning to read the constitution before the next general election, and as a result he will become a better citizen. No obstacle has been put in the way of the colored voters of North Carolina that cannot easily be overcome, and hereafter, if citizens of that state remain disfranchised, it is because of their lack of energy to prepare themselves for the most exalted duty of American citizenship.

Home "Expansion".

THE MESSAGE does not believe in looking beyond the seas for lands until we have reclaimed and built up what we have. We have over 74,000,000 acres of land within our western borders that could be reclaimed by irrigation. Listen to what the Secretary of the Interior says about it in one of his late reports:

"That this vast acreage, capable of sustaining and comfortably supporting under a proper system of irrigation a population of at least 50,000,000 people, should remain practically a desert, is not in harmony with the progressive spirit of the age or in keeping with the possibilities of the future."

Think of it, it would support a population equal to the population of the whole United States ten years ago. The American people should wake up to the importance of Congress taking some prompt action on this great question. We need to stop our hobnobbing abroad and dabbling in the affairs of our foreign neighbors and get down to work at home.

OCTOBER 20th Democratic day in Mexico.

BUFFALO BILL's show brought a great crowd to Mexico last Friday. All liked the show, but it took many a dollar out of the community that will not return soon.

SET your heart on it, and don't turn from it—to be in Mexico Oct. 20th. If you are a Democrat you will not miss hearing that ablest of orators, Joseph W. Bailey, of Texas, on that day.

THE Republicans didn't near endorse the county Prohibition ticket, as we told you. The Republican and Prohibitionist are not playing in the same yard anywhere in the country this year.

"GIVE me liberty or give me death," was the slogan of the A-

merican patriots in 1776. "Give me a big dinner pail and liberty may perish for aught I care," is the Republican slogan of 1900.—Kansan.

ANOTHER question we would like to ask our friend D. M. Price. He says the miners of Bonner, Montana, are for McKinley "which was unexpected." If McKinley and his policy are all right, why shouldn't the miners be for him as well as for Bryan?

D. M. PRICE, of this county, writing to the MESSAGE from Bonner, Montana, speaking of the chances of Bryan's election says: "We cannot look upon a change in administration with the least degree of allowance. Too many soldiers who made targets of themselves to sustain this government had their pensions dropped, and too many tramps during the Cleveland administration." Now we ask who wants another Cleveland administration in this country? Who got sicker of Cleveland's second administration than the Democrats? Look at Cleveland now, D. M. P. Is he going to vote for Bryan? No! He's going to vote with you. Nor has he repented for what he did against the soldier, either. Yes, for the last five or six years Cleveland makes a pretty good Republican.

Imperialism's Failure.

Washington, Sept. 21.—With a war revenue computed to support the Government while at war with a world power and an average tariff under the Dingley law of 58 percent, the expenditures of McKinley's administration during the last two months have exceeded the receipts from all sources by a fraction less than \$5,000,000.

During the first two months of the present fiscal year, ending August 31, the expenses of the army and navy reached the enormous sum of \$45,852,052.26, or about \$765,000 per day, and yet President McKinley insists that the country is at peace.

At the present rate of expenditure, it will be impossible for the people to hope for a lessening of the burden of taxation now imposed, but rather if the expenditures continue to exceed the receipts as they have been doing for the past two months another issue of bonds will be necessary in order to maintain the required gold reserve.

The policy of the administration regarding the Chinese crisis was settled at the Cabinet meeting this morning. The Government has rejected Germany's proposal to join in punishing the officials responsible for the Peking outrage and has decided to go ahead with the peace negotiations with China in all haste.

The President, in view of the uprising in the Philippines, is more than ever anxious to get American troops out of the Empire at the earliest moment. General McArthur's reports show that he needs more men to cope with the situation.

The German request to join in punishing the Chinese responsible for the outrages was disposed of in short order. Mr. McKinley felt that the Philippine situation so completely demanded all available troops in the Orient that he could not seriously consider any policy which would mean the punishment of the Boxer chiefs.

A member of the Cabinet said this evening that all the United States troops will be withdrawn at once from China, excepting one squadron of cavalry, one battery of artillery and one regiment of infantry.

These will remain as a guard for Minister Congor and the United States Legation. The troops withdrawn will go to the Philippines. The marines now on duty in China will be sent to Cavite.

Catholics Killed.

New York, Sept. 25.—Dispatches received here announce that among the missionaries killed by Chinese in the massacre in the Yun Nan province were Bishop Fanto-salli and Father Quirine of the Roman Catholic church. It was said that the bishop died after the most awful torture. No direct word in confirmation of this particular report has yet come to Catholic missionary authorities in this city.

A telegram from the Convent of the Holy Soul, in Shanghai, has been received, however, to the effect that 45,000 native Catholics had been massacred in different parts of the empire.

Neighborhood News.

East Linn.

Mrs. Gustavus Klarenbach is visiting her daughter, Mrs. William Freyer.

School is progressing nicely under the management of Edgar Lee.

Miss Sarah Grim visited relatives in Mexico Friday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. William Freyer, a six pound girl.

Joe Fennewald and Charley Klarensorg put a new galvanized roof on our school house.

Mrs. D. C. Bushnell, who has been sick for some time, we are sorry to say, is not improving any.

Work has commenced on Mrs. Adams' new barn, the old one having been burned a few weeks ago by lightning.

Rush Hill.

J. F. Green has sold his drug store to Dr. W. L. Kendall and Ora Green. Success to the new druggists.

Wm. Stein and wife, of Chicago, and Mrs. Wm. Hoffess, of Des Moines, Iowa, are the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stein, this week.

Quite a number from Rush Hill and vicinity attended Wild Bill's show in Mexico Friday and report an excellent time.

James Myers was down from Mexico last Sunday to see friends and best girl.

Mrs. Darnell, of Benton City, was the guest of Mrs. J. E. Culbertson Sunday.

Rev. J. A. Medley and family left Monday for his circuit in north Missouri. The community regrets very much to lose this good family from its midst.

Mrs. J. C. Maxwell visited relatives in Mexico Friday.

Rev. Mendenhall will preach at the M. E. church next Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The Polka Dotte club will give a Hight party Saturday night, Sept. 29, at Mrs. Sol. Fox's residence. Peaches and cake will be served. A prize offered for the most handsome couple and one for the tallest couple present. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

Worcester.

Claude Morris, of Montana, is visiting his parents near Wesley Chapel.

Theodore Black has returned from a long ramble over Western States.

Brown brothers shipped two loads of hogs to Chicago last week. They sold at \$5.42½ per hundred.

Mrs. F. L. LaForce was taken suddenly ill last Sunday. Was resting some better on Monday.

T. L. LaForce is at home again after a long stay at medical springs in Arkansas.

Miss Annie Crawford is able to be up again.

News reached here this morning that Mrs. C. G. Baker, of Laddonia, is not expected to live.

Loads of delegates are passing thru this country en route to the Audrain Baptist Association which meets at Perry this week.

Molino.

Those nice rains were splendid on late gardens.

Protracted meeting will commence at Mt. Zion next Thursday night and at Bethel about Sunday. We are sorry of this, as members of both these churches enjoy attending both meetings. The churches are only about four miles apart.

Dr. Flynt's mother and two sisters, of near Hallsville, Callaway county, spent two or three days with the doctor's family last week.

The Sunday school at Midway went into winter quarters last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Botts are guests of their daughter, Mrs. Jos. Dudley. Mr. Botts is in very poor health.

Mrs. Tena Heizer's children have the whooping cough.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mundy and two little daughters and Mrs. John Mundy and two daughters are visiting relatives in Vernon county.

Mrs. Bailey, of near Littleby Station, is visiting her son here this week.

Vandalia.

The two story frame residence of Stephen Ely was destroyed by

fire last Saturday morning. It was occupied by Wm. Lane as a boarding house. Misses Callie Morris and Anna McKafee, who were boarding there, had gone to their schools when the fire broke out and in the excitement their room was overlooked and most of their wardrobes burned.

Senator Cockrell was with us on Saturday and spoke to a very large and enthusiastic audience. The Senator's speech was well received, it being full of facts and would convince any one who is not iron-clad. Hon. T. P. Rixey spoke to a large crowd in the opera house at night, and from general appearances things are going our way, as we will poll the largest Democratic vote ever polled in Cuivre township. The Democrats of Crow, Carter and Colwell districts each organized a club last week and like ours will enroll some former Republicans.

A. B. Daniel is still very low, with no prospect of recovery.

Ed. Weber, one of Prairie township's staunch Democrats, was here to hear Senator Cockrell. Ed. says they have some recruits from the Republican ranks.

Bird Daniel, of Illinois, arrived on Sunday morning and is now at the bedside of his sick father.

When Senator Cockrell said that when the Spaniards were driven out of Cuba the army should have been sent home, there was a man in the crowd from the kingdom of Callaway so impressed with the justice that would have been done said "amen," which caused considerable merriment.

Johns Branch.

We are having pleasant weather. Everybody is enjoying God's greatest blessing, health.

Miss Ollie Crow is home again.

Myrtle Smith is at Laddonia to spend the winter with Mrs. Faulkner.

Miss Lillie Hartinger, of Mt. Carmel, is to spend the winter with Mrs. B. W. Hale and look after the household while Mrs. Hale teaches school.

Mr. King, who resides on the Foster farm, intends moving back to Illinois in a few weeks.

The Montague Bros. and B. W. Hale will have a stock sale next Saturday, and then, Madam Rumor says, we will be deprived of the society of one of our young men soon.

Charlie Edwards has returned from Illinois. Says he intends to farm in old Audrain next year.

Mrs. Robert Grainge, her father, C. P. Eastham, and daughter, Etta, started to Lewis county yesterday to visit relatives.

Jim Montague attended the Par- is fair.

The Grey Bros. are engaged in making sorghum molasses. Report plenty of cane, in fact it will hustle them to get thru by the time it freezes. They are making very fine syrup.

Frank Gorman went to Mexico a few days ago and brought back a new wagon.

Martinsburg.

Ed. Kuhne, wife and daughter, Miss Silvia, of Wellsville, were the guests of Fred Burwell and family Sunday.

Misses Barbara Phears and Etta Eastham, of Wellsville, visited friends in town Monday.

Wm. Watkins and wife, of St. Louis, are visiting their parents here.

N. M. Friedman is in St. Louis. James Young, of near Mexico, was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Phears is visiting her daughters, Mrs. Fannie Lovelace and Miss Barbara Phears, at Wellsville.

Frank Kelly visited near Rush Hill Sunday.

Several from here attended the show at Mexico Friday and some attended the street fair at Montgomery.

The meeting at the Christian church conducted by Rev. Dorsey continues with much interest. One joins up to this date.

We understand the Republicans will have a picnic and rally here Oct. 1st.

Laddonia.

"All hands and the cook" went to see Buffalo Bill.

Misses Birdie Pierce and Etta Turpin are attending the Baptist Association in Perry this week.

A WORD OF CAUTION.

The old saying that "a man, who is naked can't give away his shirt," is only another way of saying that you can't give what you haven't got. The man can't give "free medical advice," or any other kind of medical advice who hasn't got a medical education and a certificate to the fact, in the form of a diploma. And in this particular a woman has no more privilege than a man. She can't give medical advice without medical education and medical knowledge.

The offer of free medical advice made by Dr. Pierce, chief consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., has been imitated by so many, who without any medical qualifications claim to give "medical advice" that a word of caution is necessary.

Don't write for medical advice to any one, man or woman, who is not a physician. If they are physicians they will take the title of physicians or doctors so that you may recognize them. If they don't claim that title it is because they dare not, for fear of the law.

Do not forget that there is just as much difference in doctors as in artists. Every little town has its artist who draws and paints. But these "artists" generally paint copies of the works of great artists like Millet. There was only one Millet.

There is only one Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, such as Dr. Pierce presides over. Thousands of women come or write to Dr. Pierce who have found no help at the hands of doctors of lesser skill and narrower experience.

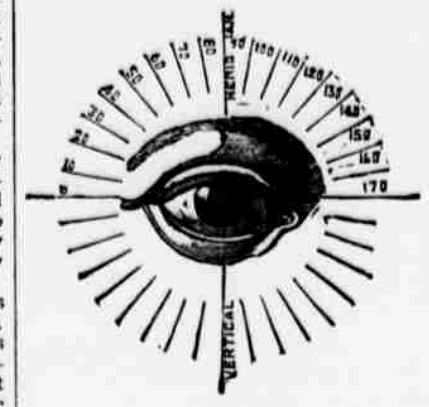
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NOTICE OF

Sheriff's Sale in Partition.

Theodore Horn, Jr., Plaintiff,

vs.
Walter Horn, Clarence Horn and Erma Horn, Defendants.

In the Circuit Court of Audrain County, Missouri.

By virtue and authority of a decree and order of sale made by the said Court, in the above entitled cause, and of a certified copy thereof, dated September 4th, 1900, I will, on Friday, the 5th of October, 1900, between the hours of Nine o'clock in the forenoon and Five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at the East front door of the Court House, in the City of Mexico, in Audrain County, Missouri, sell, at public vendue, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, viz:

The Northeast fourth of the Northeast quarter (¼) of section fourteen (14), the southeast fourth of the southeast quarter (¼) of section eleven (11) and the west half of the Northeast fourth of the Southeast quarter (¼) of section eleven (11), all in Township fifty-one (51), Range eight (8), containing 100 acres, more or less, situated in the County of Audrain and State of Missouri.

Terms of sale as follows, viz: Cash. M. N. MELSON, Sheriff Audrain County, Missouri.

Trustee's Sale.

Whereas, John Seal and Alice Seal, his wife, by their certain deed of trust, dated the 17th day of February, 1897, which said deed was duly acknowledged and recorded in deed book No. 18, at page 109, of the recorder's office within and for the county of Audrain and state of Missouri, conveyed to the undersigned trustee the following described real estate situated, lying and being in the county of Audrain and state of Missouri, to-wit:

The North half (½) of the North West fourth (¼) of the South West quarter (¼) of Section Thirty-Six (36) Township Fifty (50) north, Range Ten (10) west of the 5th P. M., containing Twenty (20) acres, more or less.

Which said conveyance was made in trust to secure the payment of five certain promissory notes in said deed of trust fully described. And whereas, default has been made in the payment of said notes, and the same is now due and remains unpaid, at the request of the legal holder of said note, I will on

FRIDAY, SEPT. 28, 1900, between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at the East Front door of the Court House, in the city of Mexico, in Audrain county, Missouri, sell the above described real estate at public auction to the highest and best bidder, for cash, for the purpose of paying said notes and the costs and expenses of executing this trust.

R. P. HOPKINS, Trustee.

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